REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	29 June 2001
Name of applicant/court:	Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Hot Tails Volume Two
Other Known Titles:	Hot Tails 2
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Groth And Thompson
Author:	Toshiki Yui
Format:	Comic
Country of Origin:	USA
Language:	English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running time:

Trailers: Running time:

Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The publication entitled *Hot Tails Volume Two* is classified as objectionable. This is due to the manner in which the publication treats matters of sex and sexual violence.

The publication is a comic which depicts both human and fantasy characters engaging in sexual activity. The images are drawn in a cartoon style, depicting the sexual activity in an explicit manner. There is a strong undercurrent of sexual violence running through the publication.

The publication has been considered under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 and found to tend to promote and support the use of violence or coercion to compel a person to participate in sexual conduct. The publication is therefore deemed objectionable.

The New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 has been taken into account in the classification of this publication. This classification represents the minimum interference with freedom of expression that is consistent with preventing likely injury to the public good.

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